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METHOD FOR MINIMIZING SAMPLE DAMAGE DURING THE ABLATION OF MATERIAL USING A FOCUSED ULTRASHORT PULSED LASER BEAM

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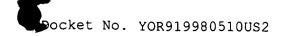
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